

Mr. Anderson's passion to help people and his desire to rid the world of cancer.

By 1945, Anderson, Clayton, and Company owned and operated 233 gins, 33 cottonseed oil plants, and 123 warehouses worldwide, and Fortune Magazine named this small start-up enterprise the largest cotton buyer, seller, storer, and shipper of cotton in the world.

The company remained private until 1945 when it was listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Because of this business strategy, it allowed the M.D. Anderson Foundation to purchase land for the Texas Medical Center through the sale of the company's stock. The Anderson, Clayton, and Company, by this time, had diversified its capital into a marine insurance company, a barge line, cotton mills, an investment bank, machine works, and even a foods division. After 1950, the multimillion dollar company was known as ACCO, or the "BigStore", and their international market sales reached three and half percent of all the world's production.

The positive impact of the Anderson, Clayton, and Company had on agri-business and the cotton trade as well as the M.D. Anderson Foundation's influence on medicine, research, and education throughout Tennessee's 8th Congressional district and the country is still being felt today.

Mr. Anderson's generosity through his foundation has built libraries, auditoriums, college buildings, and a planetarium on the campus of Lambuth College in Jackson, Tennessee as well as the 49 buildings at the Texas Medical Center.

Because of the positive legacy that M.D. Anderson has left, the city of Jackson, Tennessee along with Madison County passed resolutions in 2009 to honor Mr. Anderson and to rename the plaza between the two Federal Buildings in Jackson, Tennessee as "M.D. Anderson Plaza".

I am not alone in my effort to recognize Mr. Anderson's achievements. I would like to recognize the support of Mayor Jerry Gist of Jackson along with the Jackson City Council members Charles "Pepper" Bray; Ernest Brooks, II; Harvey Buchanan; Johnny Dodd; Danny Ellis; Maurice Hays; Frank Neudecker; Charles Rahm; and Randy Wallace.

In addition to the Jackson City Council, I would also like to recognize Madison County Mayor Jimmy Harris and the County Commission members Jimmy C. Arnold; Fred W. Birmingham; Katie Y. Brantley; Claudell Brown, Jr.; Gary D. Deaton; Aaron D. Ellison; Jim Ed Hart; Arthur D. Johnson, Jr.; Mark G. Johnstone; Terry H. Kuykendall; Larry V. Lowrance; William C. Martin; Luther T. Mercer; Dale Morton; John W. Newman; James W. Pearson; Joe A. Roland; Lacy R. Rose; Douglas S. Roth; Billy Spain; Doug Stephenson; Bill Walls; and Arthur Wilson.

Finally, I would also like to acknowledge and thank Mr. Dickie Day of Jackson, Tennessee and Mr. Carter Edwards of Crockett Mills, Tennessee for working on this effort.

Today I join my distinguished colleagues in the city of Jackson and Madison County to rename the plaza between the two Federal buildings in Jackson, Tennessee as the "M.D. Anderson Plaza" by introducing this bill to recognize and honor the life and accomplishments of M.D. Anderson.

Furthermore, I would like to point out that this bill will place no burden to the taxpayers

of this great country due to the generosity of the West Tennessee Health Care Foundation in providing the funds necessary to rename the plaza and honor Mr. Anderson.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues in the House (and Senate) to support me in this tribute to a great American.

RECOGNIZING MR. TIMOTHY HESTER AS THE 2011 HURLBURT AFA CHAPTER 398 HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 30, 2011

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Timothy Hester as the 2011 Hurlburt AFA Chapter 398 High School Teacher of the Year. For more than 30 years, Mr. Hester has been an inspiration to his students and colleagues, and I am honored to recognize this achievement.

Out of his passion for teaching and love of aviation, Mr. Hester creates a unique and stimulating learning environment. His introductory middle school course on aeronautics has been adopted by middle schools throughout Okaloosa County as the model for their aeronautics programs. Mr. Hester built on that success and translated it to the high school level, where he currently teaches introductory courses in aviation, aerospace, and space flight in three high schools through the CHOICE Aviation Institute.

Through his tireless work and dedication, Mr. Hester has ensured that the equipment, teachers, and programs necessary to advance aeronautical education are readily available to his students. Last year, he raised \$50,000 in donations and grants to fund these needs, and he has expanded the Aviation Institute, recruiting students and establishing a classroom, among other efforts.

To Mr. Hester, learning is not isolated within the classroom walls. He has afforded his students the opportunity to fly with the Experimental Aircraft Association Young Eagles Program and has hosted field trips to Embry Riddle Aeronautical University. Education in the classroom coupled with practical experience in aviation has amplified the innovative learning experience, providing students a foundation for success and earning him the recognition of High School Teacher of the Year.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I am proud to recognize Mr. Hester as the Hurlburt AFA Chapter 398 High School Teacher of the Year and for his continuing commitment to excellence. My wife Vicki joins me in congratulating Timothy Hester, and we wish him all the best.

TRIBUTE TO COACH MIKE GOTTFRIED—2010 MOBILIAN OF THE YEAR

HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 30, 2011

Mr. BONNER. Mr. Speaker, in my home state of Alabama, we know something about

winning football, and there is one fact we don't dispute. Behind every winning team is a great coach. The success of the City of Mobile is due in no small measure to the tireless efforts of our own "coach" and my dear friend, Mike Gottfried. I'm especially proud to note that Coach Mike Gottfried is being honored on April 7, 2011, with a most deserving honor, 2010 Mobilian of the Year.

Many Americans may recognize Mike Gottfried as a long-time ESPN sports analyst who covered both college and NFL football for nearly two decades on prime time television. A fixture on the cable network's Thursday Night Game of the Week and College Football Thursday Night, not to mention ESPN's NFL draft coverage, Mike was particularly compelling as a voice for character as well as athletic achievement.

An Ohio native, Mike was quarterback at Morehead State University from 1962 to 1965. Upon graduation in 1966, he proceeded to coach high school football in Ohio before embarking on a distinguished college coaching career that took him to Murray State, Cincinnati, Kansas and Pittsburgh. During his four years at Pittsburgh, Mike earned a 26-17-2 record, including wins over rivals Notre Dame, Penn State and West Virginia.

Mobile was fortunate when Mike moved to our city in 1990 and became an active member of our community. A member of the Mobile Sports Hall of Fame, Mike is credited with helping to establish the GMAC Bowl—now the GoDaddy.com Bowl—in Alabama's port city.

Mike may be a giant on gridiron, but he stands even taller in the lives of hundreds of young men who grew up without fathers. In 2000, Mike founded Team Focus, an organization which has enabled hundreds of single parent children to advance their education in an environment in which they are "motivated, encouraged, and challenged."

He is the co-author of Coach's Challenge: Faith, Football, and Filling the Father Gap, written with Ron Benson in 2007.

A nationally sought-after motivational speaker and supporter of youth programs, Mike partnered with First Lady Laura Bush in promoting her Helping America's Youth (HAY program), benefitting at-risk students. For over ten years, Mike and his wife, Mickey, have also led fundraising efforts for L'Arche, a Christian community for people with intellectual disabilities, raising more and a half millions dollars. Mike and his wife are also the recipients of the 2010 FBI Director's Community Leadership Award for their community outreach work with Team Focus.

Mike's selfless record of service to disadvantaged youth and his uncommon devotion to our community, have certainly earned him the honor of 2010 Mobilian of the Year.

On behalf of the people of South Alabama, I congratulate Mike on receiving this award and I extend a personal thank you to Mike and his wonder wife and partner, Mickey, for all they continue to do for our community and our country.